

at least two phone line connectors attached to separate phone lines;

means for transmitting and receiving electrical signals via the phone line connectors, the electrical signals being transmitted and received between the slave test unit and at least one remote test unit, the electrical signals received from the remote test unit comprising test commands;

C1 means for decoding the test commands from the electrical signals received from the remote test unit, and;

means for executing the test commands, the executing means including the ability to generate test signals on any of the separate phone lines, the test commands being received exclusively from the remote test unit.

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Please amend claim 2 as follows:

C2 2. (Amended) The slave test unit of claim 1, further comprising means for encoding the test commands into the electrical signals sent via the phone line connectors to the remote test unit.

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Please amend claim 11 as follows:

11. (Three times amended) A method for testing voice signal quality over phone connections, comprising the steps of:

C3 establishing at least two phone connections, whereby the phone connections are made with at least one remote test unit;

receiving electrical signals, the electrical signals being received from the remote test unit, the electrical signals comprising test commands;

decoding the test commands from the electrical signals being received from the remote test unit; and

executing the test commands, the executing step including the ability to generate test signals on any of the phone connections, the test commands being received exclusively from the remote test unit.

Please amend claim 15 as follows:

15. (Amended) The method of claim 11, wherein one of the test commands executed in the executing step is an encoding and transmission of the test commands via at least one of the phone connections.